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## **AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 13, 2007, entry of the following amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the following remarks are respectfully requested. Submitted herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3).

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.